

## NEWS GATHERED FROM SOUTHSIDE

Very Strained Relations Existing Between Ministers.

ALL THE CITY INTERESTED

Real Estate Dealers Are Doing a Big Business—Personals and Briefs.

Manchester Bureau, Times-Dispatch, 142½ Hull Street, N. Y. All Manchester is deeply interested in the strained relations that at present exist between ministers of the gospel in the city.

Although no public utterance had been made it is a known fact that several ministers of different denominations have accused the Rev. C. O. Woodward, pastor of Cowardin Avenue Christian Church, of proselytizing, and that growing out of these accusations there has been more or less discord among the clergy.

And while this fact is known and is being discussed by almost every citizen and in well-nigh every home, there is being conducted in Oak Grove Baptist Church a revival service, and the Rev. Mr. Woodward is preaching each night. He is not asking the people to whom he expounds the gospel to join either his church or the church in which he is preaching, but he is arguing for a cleaner life, for sinners to come unto Christ.

The report, verified by Rev. Mr. Woodward, was to the effect that Rev. Dr. Criddle, pastor of Stockton Street Baptist Church, met Rev. Mr. Woodward on the street a few days ago and accused him of proselytizing. Dr. Criddle denied the allegation and asked for proof. He was given the name of a young man whom he was alleged to have attempted to influence.

Dr. Criddle is said to have replied to Rev. Mr. Woodward that he (Dr. Criddle) did not stop proselytizing that he (Dr. Criddle) would denounce him from the pulpit. Rev. Mr. Woodward said that he replied to this by saying that he, too, had heard that Dr. Criddle was guilty of proselytizing, but had paid no attention to the report. Dr. Criddle is said to have retorted that the Christian ministers were famous for this, and that Rev. Mr. Woodward might know about the Baptist since he had been turned out of a Baptist Church church. Rev. Mr. Woodward denied this and offers proof to substantiate his denial.

### Stopped Men's Meeting.

However the matter may stand between the ministers of Manchester as a result of the differences among them has been the stopping of the meetings for men each Sunday afternoon in Leader Hall, under the auspices of the Railroad Young Men's Christian Association.

When Secretary Thomas of Richmond, first started the men's meetings in Manchester he asked that all of the ministers assist him in the work. To this end an attempt was made to form an organization and two unsuccessful meetings were held.

Rev. Mr. Woodward was asked to preach every Sunday afternoon for a month, and he did this. At first all of the ministers of the city attended. Later two ministers of the city went to Richmond and asked Secretary Thomas to stop the meetings. He refused to do so, and said that unless he did stop they would withdraw their congregations from the meetings, or something to this effect.

Rev. Mr. Woodward preached after this and there was only one minister in the audience. This was the Rev. J. A. Sullivan of Oak Grove Baptist Church. Rev. Mr. Woodward is a young man and since being in Manchester, has grown in favor with all the citizens. He is energetic and a powerful speaker. He visits the sick among all denominations and denies emphatically that he has in any way tried to secure any person who was a member of another church to connect with his church. Secretary Thomas of the Young Men's Christian Association said that he invariably found the Christian minister at the bedside of any person who was injured, and that he thought him a fine man.

### Only One-Tenth As Much.

Mr. W. J. Carter, owner of Kelly, the stallion, said yesterday that the statement in yesterday's paper that Mr. Sticks had sold a colt by Kelly for \$1,000 was a mistake. The colt was sold for \$100 instead.

A number of colts have been sold recently in Manchester at prices ranging from \$100 to \$150. A colt by Great Sticks, a stallion owned by Mr. Nelson, Stoughton, a high-bred, white horse, Adams and Co. have sold four lots at the corner of Fifteenth and Perry Streets. The corner lot was purchased by Mr. C. H. Betts and brought \$44.50.

Mr. B. O. Nunnally purchased another lot, the consideration being \$49.32. Mr. A. Baber purchased a lot for \$49.32 and Mr. B. A. Phaup paid \$39.50 for another lot.

All of the purchasers intend building on the lots. The sale was at public auction.

Augustus Royall & Co. recently sold the name dwelling on the corner of Old Dominion and Holly Streets to Frank L. Williams (colored) for \$500.

Land on Semmes Avenue towards Forest Hill Park is advancing in price each week.

### Real Estate Sales.

Personals and Briefs.

Mr. W. B. Kidd, brother of Mr. Harvey Kidd, of Manchester, and Miss Nancy Churrying, of Richmond, were married in Richmond Thursday. They are now on a bridal tour.

The revival meetings which have been so successful at Oak Grove Baptist Church will continue next week at the Cowardin Avenue Christian Church. Rev. J. A. Sullivan of Oak Grove Church, will preach every night.

Miss Annie Williams has returned to her home in Amelia county, after a visit to her aunt, Mrs. James Carter, of No. 21 East Twelfth Street.

Mrs. L. P. Kidd, now of Raleigh, N. C., but formerly of Manchester, underwent an operation at her home last week. She is said to be recovering rapidly.

Mrs. D. J. Wheat, enriched with a "million" dollar, at her home, Nineteenth and Main Streets, last night.

The funeral of Mrs. Louisa Bohannon was conducted from her home on Everett Street yesterday morning at 11 o'clock. Rev. J. H. Cooke of Clifton Street Baptist Church, officiated. Interment was in the City Cemetery.

Mrs. J. W. Boissieux, of Halifax, N. C., is visiting Dr. and Mrs. W. F. Merchant, Twelfth and Porter Streets.

A St. Patrick's ten was given last night at the home of Miss Ruth Fitzgerald, No. 501 Hull Street, for the benefit of the St. Patrick's fund.

The funeral of Mr. W. T. Bailey, who



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## RESIGNATION OF M. ASHBY JONES

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members of the congregation of which he had charge and to his fellow ministers in the city.

Great pressure will probably be brought to bear to have him stay, but Dr. Jones has made up his mind to go and his decision is unalterable. He has been pastor of this church for eight years, and during that time he has built up the church and increased the membership of the congregation to far beyond its former limits and scope. He is accepted as a preacher of uncommon power, a man of able and commanding address, thoughtful and earnest, and fervent and zealous in all that he does. He will be greatly missed in the ministerial circles of Richmond, and the church of which he has been pastor so long will be deeply grieved to lose him.

### Of a Preacher Family.

Rev. M. Ashby Jones, D. D., was born in Lexington, Va., while his father, Dr. J. William Jones, was pastor there, and one of the chaplains of Washington College during General R. Lee's administration. He was educated in McGuire's School, Richmond College, Washington and Lee University, the Southern Baptist Theological Seminary, and the

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